

22. The passive safety mechanism of claim 21 wherein said connecting means connects said trigger to a triggerbar.
23. The passive safety mechanism of claim 21 wherein said blocking means provides alignment to a triggerbar.
24. The passive safety mechanism of claim 21 wherein said blocking means positions a trigger return spring.
25. The passive safety mechanism of claim 23 wherein said blocking means positions a trigger return spring.
26. The passive safety mechanism of claim 21 wherein normal operation of said firearm is precluded when said blocking means is removed.
27. The passive safety mechanism of claim 21 wherein normal operation of said firearm is precluded when said connecting means is removed.
28. In a firearm having a trigger and a triggerbar, a passive safety mechanism comprising connecting means, distinct from said triggerbar, which connect said trigger to means for blocking a firing element, the blocking means being distinct from a sear.
29. The passive safety mechanism of claim 28 wherein said connecting means connects said trigger to said triggerbar.
30. The passive safety mechanism of claim 28 wherein said connecting means is a slidable link.
31. The passive safety mechanism of claim 29 wherein said connecting means is a slidable link.
32. The passive safety mechanism of claim 29 wherein said connecting means provides pivot means for said triggerbar.
33. In a handgun having a frame, a passive safety mechanism comprising means to block a firing element, the blocking means being distinct from a sear and located in a frame recess accessible from the rear of said frame.
34. The passive safety of claim 33 wherein the blocking means acts directly upon a sear catch of said firing element.
35. The passive safety of claim 33 wherein the blocking means is substantially the same transverse width as said recess.